

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 637

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A RESOLUTION to honor Kayla Danae Goodwin, 1998  
salutatorian of Lawrence County High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Kayla Danae Goodwin is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as the salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class at Lawrence County High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Kayla has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, she has earned an exceptional grade point average of 4.0 and scored an impressive 30 on her ACT test; and

WHEREAS, Kayla has been a valuable participant in several student groups, serving admirably as a member of the Student Council (9th, 10th and 11th grades), class vice-president (9th and 10th grades), Drug Awareness Club vice-president (12th grade), and member of the Interact Club (9th, 10th and 11th grades), the Beta Club (11th and 12th grades), and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (9th and 12th grades). She has also served with distinction as a peer mediator (11th and 12th grades); and

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WHEREAS, her long list of honors and awards includes: being a Homecoming Attendant (9th grade), Homecoming Queen (12th grade), Japanese Student of the Year, Girls' State Delegate (10th and 11th grades), Driver of the Year (10th grade), Best All-Around in Class (10th and 11th grades), History Student of the Year (11th grade), and being listed in the prestigious *Who's Who Among American High School Students* (9th and 11th grades); and

WHEREAS, she is an outstanding student-athlete in the finest sense of the term, having been an important member of the school's varsity basketball and softball teams each of her four high school years; and

WHEREAS, as a star athlete she has won special recognition as basketball Co-Captain (12th grade), Defensive Basketball Player of the Year (11th grade), Most Stolen Bases in Softball (9th, 10th and 11th grades), Most Runs Scored in Softball (10th grade), and All-District Softball team member (10th grade); and

WHEREAS, Kayla is an excellent role model who evinces the finest traditions of the "Volunteer State" by performing volunteer work at a nursing home (9th, 10th and 11th grades), working with underprivileged children (all four years of high school), and serving eloquently as a DARE spokesperson (11th and 12th grades); and

WHEREAS, Kayla has worked mowing lawns (all four years of high school), as a concession worker (10th and 11th grades) and as a grocery store cashier (11th grade); she received considerable praise for her work habits and her productivity from each of her employers; and

WHEREAS, Kayla's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kayla's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Kayla Danae Goodwin on being the 1998 salutatorian at Lawrence County High School and wish her every success in what we are confident will be a bright future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this duly inscribed resolution, with this final resolving clause deleted, be prepared and properly presented.